

## STATE OF NEVADA

Department of Conservation & Natural Resources

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DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

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NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTION Web Posting Date: 10/16/08

The Administrator, Division of Environmental Protection, Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, Carson City, Nevada is issuing the following Notice of Proposed Action under the authority of the Nevada Revised Statutes, the Nevada Administrative Code, and the Safe Drinking Water Act.

The Administrator has received a major modification application for Underground Injection Control (UIC) permit UNEV87064, which has been drafted for public comment. Modification to this permit has been applied for by the following applicant:

Peppermill Hotel Casino 2707 South Virginia Street Reno, Nevada 89502

The applicant has purchased a parcel at 380 Brinkby Avenue, which has a geothermal injection well covered under permit UNEV87012, and has requested modification of UNEV87064 to incorporate this injection well and cancel UNEV87012. Injection wells at the properties are used for reinjection of geothermal fluids associated with a space heating system and the injection of fluid collected by a dewatering system. The injection zone for the geothermal well from 2500 to 3500 feet below the ground surface for Virginia St. property, and from 575 to 735 feet in Brinkby Ave. well. The injection zone for the injection well related to dewatering system is at a depth less than 100 feet. Chemical analyses indicate that both injectates are similar in quality to the respective receiving waters. Monitoring will be conducted to ensure that injected fluids do not compromise the quality of the receiving waters.

On the basis of preliminary review of the requirements of the Nevada Revised Statutes, the Nevada Administrative Code, the Safe Drinking Water Act, and implementing regulations, the Administrator proposes to modify and reissue permit #UNEV87064 as stated above.

Persons wishing to comment upon or object to the proposed determinations by the Administrator regarding permit issuance or to request a hearing pursuant to Nevada Administrative Code, Water Pollution Control, should submit their comments or request in writing by November 24, 2008 either in person or by mail to:

Attn: Russ Land Nevada Division of Environmental Protection Bureau of Water Pollution Control 901 South Stewart Street; Suite 4001 Carson City, NV 89701-5249 rland@ndep.nv.gov

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All comments or objections received within thirty days of newspaper publication will be considered in the formulation of final determinations regarding the application. If written comments indicate a significant degree of public interest in the proposed permit, the Administrator shall hold a public hearing. A public notice of such hearing will be issued not less than thirty days prior to the hearing date.

The application, draft permit, comments received, and other information are on file and may be copied at the office of the Division of Environmental Protection, or copies may be obtained by writing to the above address or by calling Russ Land of the Bureau of Water Pollution Control at (775) 687-9428.